WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing apparatus comprising:

first display control means for controlling the display of a thumbnail;

determination means for determining whether or not a predetermined time has passed with said thumbnail selected; and

second display control means for controlling, if said predetermined time is found passed with said thumbnail selected, the display of information associated with said thumbnail at a predetermined position corresponding to the display position of said thumbnail.

2. The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said second display control means controls the display so that said information associated with said thumbnail is displayed in a semitransparent frame or on a semitransparent background.

3. The information processing method comprising the steps of:

controlling the display of a thumbnail;

determining whether or not a predetermined time has passed with said thumbnail selected; and

controlling, if said predetermined time is found passed with said thumbnail selected, the display of

information associated with said thumbnail at a
predetermined position corresponding to the display
position of said thumbnail.

4. A program storage medium for storing a
computer-readable program comprising the steps of:

controlling the display of a thumbnail;

determining whether or not a predetermined time has
passed with said thumbnail selected; and

controlling, if said predetermined time is found
passed with said thumbnail selected, the display of
information associated with said thumbnail at a
predetermined position corresponding to the display
position of said thumbnail.

5. A computer-readable program comprising the
steps of:

controlling the display of a thumbnail;

determining whether or not a predetermined time has
passed with said thumbnail selected; and

controlling, if said predetermined time is found
passed with said thumbnail selected, the display of
information associated with said thumbnail at a
predetermined position corresponding to the display
position of said thumbnail.